

**History of U.S. Public Education 1650-1799**

The first public library law was created in South Carolina.

School was accessible to the Northern, rich, and white men. Reading a, writing and arithmetic were the focus

Schooling was focused in the homes with the parents and was structured around religion.

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| **1650-1674** | **1700** | **1708** | **1725-1750** | **1750** | **1750-1774** |

75% of men and 65% of women were literate in the New England colonies.

John Leverett was the first non-Clergyman president of Harvard College. Marked a movement away from Puritanism

School was for boys only and was focused on learning religion and the law of the common wealth.

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